Besides, the CCI has purchased 2,14,360 quintals of kapas under its commercial operations.

New Textile Policy

674. SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any new Textile Policy in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): (a) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Number of Persons working in Textile Industry

†675. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made estimates of number of persons working in various sectors in textile industry at the beginning of Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the number of persons working in mill sector, powerloom sector and handloom sector respectively;

(c) whether Government have ascertained the possibilities of increasing the number of persons working in these sectors; and

(d) if so, the possibility of the increase in percentage there has been identified separately?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Government has estimated that 34.42 million persons

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.